

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is being submitted to correct minor errors in the specification and drawings, and entry is respectfully requested.

1. The Applicant has corrected FIG. 4 of the drawings as follows:

In the specification at page 5, lines 11-13 and at page 17, lines 18-20, the Applicant makes reference to a marginal portion along the longitudinal edge 110 of the plastic color chart that is preferably removed.

While the language in the specification is clear and the longitudinal edge of the plastic color chart is clearly shown in FIG. 14, the lead line from reference number 110 extends beyond the longitudinal edge. Accordingly, the Applicant is submitting herewith a drawing correction.

In addition, FIG. 4 of the drawings do not contain a reference number for the marginal portion of the longitudinal edge which can be removed (i.e., the portion between edge 110 and color panels 102), which is also addressed by the drawing correction. It is understood from the specification that the marginal edge would be removed to facilitate direct visual comparison between the whole crop and the color panels 102. (Page 17, lines 18-20; Page 18, lines 4-6).

Also, the lead line from reference number 104 is in the incorrect position. As described at page 17, line 7, reference number 104 denotes the support structure. Accordingly, the lead line for reference number 104 has been corrected.

No new matter has been added, and approval of the drawing correction is respectfully requested.

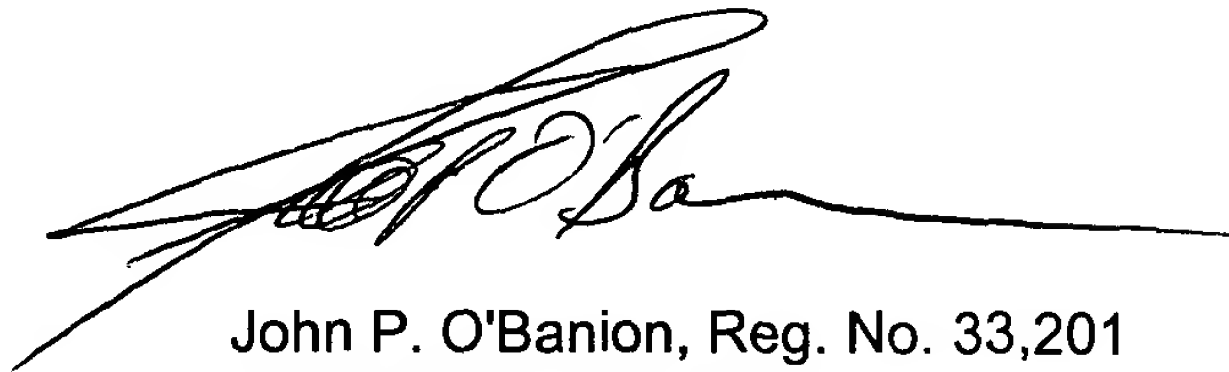
2. The Applicant has amended the specification at page 17, line 18 to conform the language to the addition of reference number M in FIG. 4.

3. The Applicant has clarified the specification at page 10, lines 16-18 by removing redundant and unnecessary language.

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Respectfully submitted,



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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 10, line 16, replace "an L*, a*," with --reflectance values--.

On page 10, line 17, delete "and b* value".

On page 10, line 17, delete "or thirty, three".

On page 10, line 18, delete "variable sets for each leaf color (700 –400 = 300;
300/10 = 30)".

On page 17, line 18, after "portion" insert --M--.

IN THE DRAWINGS:

The drawing corrections are shown in red on the attached sheet.